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Fire Destroys Packing Plant

SCHWEITZER & CO. SUFFER $30,000 LOSS. OPERATION SCHEDULE RETARDED.

BLAZE STARTED IN SMOKE HOUSE

Fire, shortly after 1:00 p. m. Monday, destroyed the meat packing plant of Schweitzer & Co., on Railroad street. The blaze was first discovered in the walls of the smoke house and its spread was so rapid that firemen were unable to check it. The plant was entirely destroyed and a very small portion of the contents saved. The loss is estimated at about $30,000, with insurance covering $13,800.

According to reports, Russell Winterlee had started a fire in the smoke room, and, as is usually done, the door of the room was left slightly open in order to afford a draft at the start. Winterlee was called to another part of the building and when he returned the walls surrounding the smoke room were on fire.

He hurriedly turned in an alarm. The telephone operator, whose duty was to sound the siren alarm, found the siren frozen and it could not be sounded, however firemen were called as quickly as possible. By the time they arrived the fire had a big start and there was no chance to save the structure. It burned very rapidly and soon the entire plant was in flames.

The refrigerator and storage places were well filled with stocks of meats of just about every kind. One end of the refrigeration plant was burned and may possibly be rebuilt. Most of the meats were damaged and made unfit for use. One of the two compressors was damaged by falling debris, the other may be saved. These, with the refrigerator cost the Company $14,000. Much valuable machinery and equipment were destroyed and will probably have to be replaced. This was one of the most modern and up-to-date and best arranged packing plants anywhere in Michigan. It was built early this year.

A part of the plant was located on the same street just north of the hotel annex. For the present the firm will carry on its operations from that place, confining its activities to wholesale distribution until such time as the destroyed plant may be rebuilt and equipped. The company had given work to as many as 30 employees. At the present time it employs about nine. The Company has enjoyed a large patronage, serving dealers in all parts of Upper Michigan. The packing plant too was a big help to the local livestock producers who found here a ready market for their products.

Mr. Schweitzer was out of the city at the time of the fire, going over one of the northern routes of dealers, and did not know of the fire loss until that night when he and the truck driver drove into the plant yard.

Fire among the debris broke out again that night, calling out the department, but was easily quenched.

Another Community Xmas For Children

CRAWFORD AND ROSCOMMON CHILDREN TO BE FETED

The two Georges are at it again—got their heads together and have ordered old St. Nick to be on hand on the day before Christmas, to be exact, December 24. The kiddies of Crawford and Roscommon counties are all invited to be in Grayling on that afternoon. First the children from Roscommon county will be guests at a movie at the Rialto beginning at 1:30 o'clock and later receive a treat of candies and nuts. You know those great big sacks like they always get. Later in the afternoon the kiddies of Crawford county will attend the show and likewise receive a treat.

Laurel and Hardy are favorites with young and old alike and you'll see them that day in "Our Relations."

Don't forget every child in Crawford and Roscommon counties is invited.

EXAMINATIONS FOR WARDENS AND TOWERMEN

The Department of Conservation will hold an examination to fill vacancies in the positions of Fire Wardens and Towermen for district No. 11. The examination will be held at the High School gymnasium, on Thursday, Dec. 17th, 1936, at 9 a. m., at Roscommon. Vacancies are two Fire Wardens and two Towermen.

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To Discuss Predatory Animals

SPORTSMEN, SUPERVISORS AND FARMERS URGED TO ATTEND

To Be Held At Temple Theatre, Dec. 16

Aroused by the depredations of marauding coyotes and other predators, farmers, livestock and poultry owners and sportsmen will assemble in a mass meeting here Dec. 16 to discuss what can be done about it.

The meeting, in which the department of conservation will participate, will be in the nature of a general discussion of the predatory animal situation in the northern part of the lower peninsula with special emphasis on the coyote.

Arrangements are being made by the Grayling chapter, Izaak Walton League, and Miles M. Callaghan, state senator-elect of Reed City. Sportsmen's organizations, boards of supervisors, livestock and poultry owners and farmers of the region are being invited to send representatives.

The coyote is a comparative newcomer to Michigan, having migrated into the upper peninsula from Wisconsin and Minnesota and thence into the lower peninsula within the past two decades.

EXPRESSES GRATITUDE FOR PUBLIC'S RESPONSE

Mrs. J. L. Martin, Roll Call chairman, Crawford County Red Cross chapter, today expressed gratitude for the public's response during the enrollment period.

"The generosity of the local citizenship again has been demonstrated," the Roll Call Chairman said. "The outcome of such an appeal cannot be measured wholly upon a dollars and cents basis. Service rendered in the Roll Call by volunteer workers, the manner in which these solicitors were received on all sides and the faith in the Red Cross evidenced throughout the chapter territory are all as gratifying.

"The Red Cross is only as strong as its membership. It is able to serve humanity only in the degree to which it is supported.

"In behalf of the local chapter, I take this means of expressing profound appreciation and thanks to all citizens of Crawford county who gave so generously of their time or funds, or both, during the annual Roll Call, and especially the members of the American Legion Auxiliary, who conducted the drive."

Grayling Wins From Harbor Springs

Friday night, the victory-starved, battling Green and White of Grayling High waded through Harbor Springs' tight defense to annex their first victory of the season by a 31-21 score. All-in-all it was a bad night for the men of Harbor as the local sections decisively walloped the visiting Bees to the tune of 20-2 in the 7:30 preliminary.

Harbor Springs determined to decrease Grayling's losing streak to four straight, tallied three points in quick succession to take an early lead. Ed Chalker, high point man of the evening, with fifteen counters to his credit, started the Northern Lights on their victory march by ringing up a foul shot, which was followed by a two-point, under-the-basket tally by Dunham. Ed, obviously believing the best time to win a ball game is at the beginning, dropped a neat long shot from the 10 second line. In response to this insult to their pride the Orange and Black scored a two pointer on top of one of their numerous foul shots. Following a side-pop counter by Bowen, Harbor tallied from the foul line only to be set back as Bowen scored again to give the Green and White a two-point lead at the finish of the first period.

Going into the second quarter the two teams played neck and neck, the lead shifting from one side to the other at varied intervals. The up-state squad started the ball rolling by swishing the net with two foul shots. Moshier's two point and to the Grayling cause was met by another one of those inevitable Harbor charity points. Intent upon increasing the local's lead, Chalker scored from the side and Coutts accounted for two markers on the foul stripe to give Coach Cornell's men the advantage of a five-point lead with which to begin the second half.

With a five-point lead to overcome Harbor Springs entered the third stanza with a "fight to the end" attitude and fight they did. Having no time to waste they hit the net for counters both before and after Moshier's foul shot. Moshier, playing heads-up ball, tallied from the side to put the homesters again in the top position. At this point in the game Grayling unloosed a scoring avalanche that tied up the ball game. The Green and White seemed just to aim their sights at the basket and Chalker would pull the trigger to add points to the homesters' score. In the closing minutes of the third quarter and in the final period the Snow Shoe boys outscored their opponent two to one and marched on to their hard-earned 31-21 win. With five minutes to go Grayling, as has been the case in all three games so far, enjoyed a comfortable lead, but instead of breaking down as in previous games they appeared stronger than ever and increased their lead instead of letting it slip from them.

In this contest the boys showed vast improvement over their former performances and from now on, with a little confidence in their ability to win ball games they should go places and bring home the bacon instead of the towel.

MRS. FELDHAUSER CELEBRATES 80TH BIRTHDAY

Thursday evening a few neighbors gathered at the home of Mrs. Edwin Chalker to remind six of their crowd it was time to light another candle on their birthday cake.

Those who were reminded that another year had rolled around again were Mrs. Carrie Feldhauser, Mrs. Florence Wakeley, Mrs. Hattie Moshier, Mrs. Paul Lovely, Mrs. Albert Knibbs, and Mrs. Floyd Taylor.

The evening was spent in playing games and was immensely enjoyed. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Paul Lovely, Mrs. Russell Moshier, Mrs. Vallad, Mrs. Chalker, Mrs. Carlton Wythe.

The lunch table was beautiful with tall lighted tapers casting a festive glow on a lovely pink and white birthday cake.

"Grandma Feldhauser" whom most everyone knows as the "Grand Old Lady," finds herself 80 years young and has the best wishes of her hosts of friends who hope to help her celebrate many more birthdays.

"MAN AND HIS NEIGHBOR"

The members of Grayling Kiwanis club were privileged to hear an address entitled "Man and His Neighbor" by Mr. Clyde Ketcham, at their usual Wednesday noon meeting. He clearly convinced his listeners that for one to assert his rights in all things is not altogether best for his own good and for the good of his neighbors and others of his community. His talk was brimming with thought-provoking suggestions, and was given in a masterful manner. Mr. Ketcham is an attorney, coming here recently to check up on legal matters pertaining to the local federal resettlement administration.

Next week's meeting of the club will be devoted to entertaining members of the State Conservation commission, including Director P. J. Hoffmaster; Senator Miles Callaghan, and other prominent officials.

Do We Want Socialized Medicine?

(The following is an address given by Dr. C. R. Keyport before the Kiwanis Club of Grayling Wednesday, December 2nd)

STATE MEDICINE

State medicine is a system of complete medical service to all citizens at public expense.

Who Wants State Medicine?

1. Not the public in general. They want evolutionary progress in everything. Not revolutionary upheaval.

2. No dissatisfaction with present system.

American Preventive Medicine best in world.

In Michigan death rate has been reduced. A few figures:

	1900	1934
Diphtheria	21.65	.15
Typhoid fever	34.03	1.28
Tuberculosis (all forms)	103.94	43.18
Smallpox	.3 (for 2 yrs.)	.0
Measles	14.1	.7
Diarrhea and enteritis	96.53	7.6

3. Preventive medicine is part of the work of the private physician. In European countries under a plan of socialized medicine, physicians have no time for preventive medicine and statistics prove this.

4. Public knows we have no serious epidemics.

1901 life expectancy 47.24 years
Today life expectancy 61.26 years

5. Public wonders if State is so interested in medical care.

Why does it not try to eliminate Charlatans and Quacks which cost public each year $125,000,000. Why does State not control patent medicines and save the people $500,000,000 each year.

6. Public notices that whenever public funds are offered to assist people request soon changes to demand. Doles lead to moral deterioration, never satisfied. When people earn and pay their own way they are satisfied.

Not The Patient

1. Does not want to be dependant on bureaucracy for medical care.

2. Does not want inferior medical service.

3. Patient knows free choice of physician will be restricted. Medical attention will become a mechanical system rather than a personal service. Mass production.

4. Patient will lose confidential patient-family physician relationship.

5. Very sick patient will not receive, because of demands for minor services, quantity and quality. Cut down to reduce costs.

6. Patient does not want any meddling third party to come between him and his physician. Example: Workmans Compensation cases.

Patient does not want to suffer delay in treatment due to numerous bureaus and agencies to which he must apply.

Not The Farmer

1. Farmer has small annual income out of which he would have to pay taxes to maintain a compulsory medical system and receive little benefit.

2. Farmer cannot see why State should provide medical care for wealthy or reasonably independent, or why pay for self inflicted diseases occasioned by alcoholism and immorality.

3. Objects to carrying greater tax load so that dependent people in cities, such as indigents, may secure more privileges.

4. Conscientious and careful about his budget feels that medical service deserves to be placed in his budget.

He is aghast at figures of average family for luxuries.

Passenger auto	$150.00
Tobacco	67.00
Gasoline	37.00
Candy	37.00
Movies and Entertainments	35.00
Soda water, Ice cream, and gum	34.00
Jewelry and Furs	20.00
Liquor	22.00
Radios and Musical Instruments	16.00
Cosmetics	15.00

5. Average farmers' family, 4.1 people, annual expenditure (medical) $62.00.

Tobacco bill more than doctor bill. Twice as much for candy as for hospitals. Twice as much for cosmetics as for nursing.

Not The Employed Person

1. American Federation has studied various forms of socialized medicine and failed to endorse them.

1. Employed person does not want it because it means less wages and more taxes.

3. Employed realizes that adequate living wage provides normal healthful living and competent medical care—sufficient needs for living.

Employed person prefers to purchase medical care as well as other necessities when and from whom he wishes in the true American way. His experience makes him suspicious. With Samuel Gompers, he says: "Put

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First National Parks

The first national parks to be established were: Yellowstone, in 1872; Sequoia, General Grant, and Yosemite, in 1890; Mount Rainier, in 1899, and Crater Lake, in 1902.

Regular Meeting I. W. L. Dec. 16th

The first regular meeting of the Crawford County Izaak Walton League chapter, will be held at 8 p. m., Dec. 16, 1936 in the court chambers of the county building. Inasmuch as this will be the first regular meeting, many important matters pertaining to the future activities of the local chapter will come before the meeting. Already various suggestions have been advanced in reference to changes in the deer law with the hope of eliminating the shooting of so many does and the commercializing of deer.

R. A. Wright, president-elect for the coming year, has appointed the following as chairmen of the various committees:

Conservation—Jack Redhead.
Membership—Frank Bennett.
Entertainment—Harold McNeven.
Educational & Public Relations—Russell Robertson.

Each chairman in turn will select his various committees who will be announced at the December 16th meeting.

At this same meeting final plans will be made in connection with the proposed New Years Eve ball at the high school. Watch for further announcement regarding the New Years Eve ball.

Membership in the Crawford County Chapter of Izaak Walton League has now reached a total of 85 members and new members are being signed up daily. Those who haven't joined yet should make it their business to do so as the local chapter deserves the support of all Crawford County citizens. We have the Izaak Walton League to thank for the support we are now to receive from the State at our Winter Sports Park, and we shouldn't overlook the fact that this county will no doubt want other favors in the future which will be easier to secure if we have a real live Izaak Walton League chapter in this county. Attend all meetings and get behind this new organization.

O. E. S. HOLDS INSTALLATION

An impressive ceremony last week Wednesday, when the newly elected officers of Grayling Chapter No. 83, O. E. S. were installed by Mrs. Nellie McNeven, installing officer. Mrs. McNeven was assisted by Mrs. Alice Nelson, organist, Mrs. Laura McLeod, marshal; Mrs. Clara Sales, chaplain, and Mrs. Minnie Nelson, warder.

Following are the officers and by whom they will be filled for the ensuing year:

Associate Matron—Mrs. Daisy Barnett.
Associate Patron—Philip Moran.
Secretary—Mrs. Mabel Martin.
Conductress—Mrs. Bernice Smith.
Associate Conductress—Mrs. Elsie Larson.
Chaplain—Mrs. Maude Copley.
Marshal—Mrs. Viola Taylor.
Organist—Mrs. Doris Souders.
Adah—Miss Lillian Ainman.
Ruth—Mrs. Mae Erkes.
Esther—Mrs. Mary Herrick.
Martha—Mrs. Laura Parker.
Electa—Mrs. Isa Russell.
Warder—Mrs. G. Schaible.
Sentinel—Elizabeth Moran.

The new officers were presented with flowers by the Chapter and the following ladies, who assisted in the ceremonies received bouquets of chrysanthemums: Mesdames Isa Russell, Nadine Heath, Bernice Smith and Misses Dorothy Roberts, Beverly Schaible, Jean and Virginia Peterson and Elma Parker. Mrs. Mae Erkes the retiring matron was given a gift of flowers as was also the installing officer and her staff. To close the evening a delicious lunch was served to some 50 members and guests.

If you like movies, read, "Here's the Answer," a question and answer column conducted by Harold Heffernan now in charge of the Hollywood Bureau of The Detroit News. It appears daily and Sunday in the Motion Picture Section of The News.

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THURSDAY DEC 10, 1936

MRS HENRY FELDHAUSER

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LYRIC DANCE HALL DID NOT BURN

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PROMOTE WINTER SPORTS

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FIRE DESTROYS GARAGE AND AUTO

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Personals

George Burke has been in Detroit for the past few days on business.

Mrs. Maline Lester of Indian River was a guest Tuesday of Mrs. E. A. Crane.

James Lyons of Mt. Pleasant was a week end guest of his aunt, Mrs. Minnie Lechner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cliff of Detroit are spending the week with Mrs. Minnie Lechner.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Beaman of Detroit were here for the week end and attended Mass.

Robert VanDevorte returned Friday to Detroit after visiting his parents here.

Ted Chrisman will leave the end of the week for Detroit where he plans to search for a position.

Roy Brown of Detroit is spending the week with his mother, Mrs. and Mrs. Frank Brown.

Mrs. Wilma Shaw is spending a week in Bay City visiting her sister, Mrs. Lillian [illegible].

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schroeder left the first of the week for Oakland to take an extended vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Stephan and family of Detroit were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Stephan.

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Mrs. Frank Barnett spent Sunday visiting her father, James Hirst, who is ill at his home at Oscoda, and her sister, Mrs. Lucille Burfitt, at Saginaw. Mrs. Burfitt is a patient in a Saginaw hospital.

At the business meeting of the Auxiliary Tuesday evening Mrs. [illegible] tentatively gave a report of the Auxiliary conference held in Bay City Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Inez Maline is leaving Friday for Detroit to spend the winter in Detroit. She intends to spend a few months there, then go to Florida for the remainder of the winter.

Miss Emelie Feldhauser returned to her home in Detroit after spending the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Feldhauser.

Mrs. Frank Mc[illegible] of Detroit spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mc[illegible].

[illegible]

Mrs. Ed. Stephan and family of Detroit were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Stephan.

[illegible]

Mrs. Frank Warner and Mrs. Ed. Gierke were Saturday guests of Mrs. Charles Warner at her home in Vanderbilt.

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Mrs. Mae Stevens and Mrs. Sam Stevens were Saturday guests of their mother, Mrs. [illegible] at her home in Bay City.

[illegible]

Mrs. Frank Dixon and son Donald of Detroit were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Stephan.

[illegible]

Mrs. Frank Wolfe and Mrs. Frank Fleming drove to Pere Marquette Lake Tuesday morning and accompanied Mrs. Wolfe's mother, Miss Beulah Campbell, there. She will visit them for some time.

Mrs. Clayton Streeby returned Monday from Mt. Pleasant where she visited for the past week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Anna Thurston, who has been very ill but is feeling quite a little improved.

Mrs. James Burke, accompanied by Mrs. Matt Bowie and by Mrs. George Burke, of Prescott, drove to Bay City, Monday, and accompanied home her mother, Mrs. Jerry Sherman, who has been visiting there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Berss and son Richard, and the former's brother, Henry Berss, returned Sunday to their home in Grand Rapids after visiting Mrs. Berss' father, William Johnson, and other relatives at Frederic and here.

Mr. and Mrs. Mano R. Lee, who have resided in Grayling for about a year, operating a rooming house, are returning to Toledo next week. Mr. and Mrs. Lee made a number of warm friendships among Grayling people during their short residence.

Mrs. Adolph Peterson, Mrs. Leo Jorgenson, president and secretary of the American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Sam Rasmusson and Mrs. Alfred Hanson attended a conference of Auxiliaries held in Bay City Saturday and Sunday. It was very entertaining with luncheons, banquets and a ball. As a courtesy from the Chevrolet Motor Co. favors of compacts were presented each of the ladies in attendance.

Hanson Restaurant Changing Hands

One of Grayling's popular eating places, and known for years as the Hanson Restaurant changed hands today, when Frank Bennett bought out the business from James Bugby. Mr. Bugby has found the restaurant work too confining for the good of his health, and is his reason for disposing of same.

The public needs no introduction to the new proprietor, who is maintaining the services of Fred Barnaw, who was in charge of the restaurant. Barnaw has followed the business of late years, and has worked in the Height's Restaurant for a long time and knows the business from A to Z.

The Avalanche wishes the new proprietor much success.

Womans Club

The Woman's Club met Monday, December 7th, at the home of Mrs. Anne Sorensen. Interesting talks were given on "Famous Women" by the following:

Mrs. Schumann — In World Movements.

Miss Beaman — Of the Movies.

Mrs. Poor — Of the White House.

Mrs. Golden — Composers.

The next meeting is a social meeting and will be held on Tuesday, December 15th, in the basement of Memorial Methodist. It will be the Christmas program and each member is invited to bring a guest.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA TO BE PRESENTED NEXT SUNDAY

A Christmas cantata, entitled The Music of Christmas, will be presented next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the ladies choir of the Woman's Club at the Methodist Memorial church. The cantata will be sung by twenty-six voices. An orchestra of about ten pieces will assist in the program. The choirsters will [illegible] in the auditorium and recessional. The [illegible] will be directed by Mrs. C. S. Gilbert. The public is invited. There will be no charge for admission, however, there will be a free-will offering received to meet the expense of music and other items.

Those who attended the Christmas Sunday cantata will long with eager anticipation to the program this year.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS NOTICE

A very important meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be held on Friday night at the Beaver Creek town hall at 7:30 o'clock sharp. Commander Neal Mathews urges for a large attendance and the committees for the year will be announced. At this meeting the new officers commence work and promise the Membership an interesting program of activity for the ensuing year.

Members are urged to bring all candidates for initiation and the meeting will be opened on time. The place of meeting has been chosen for the greatest convenience of both Roscommon and Grayling, as well as the members who reside in the country surrounding.

AUTO DEALERS RECEIVE BIG ORDERS

All of the local auto dealers are reporting big sales, the largest in the history of some.

George Burke reports the recent sale of 24 cars, the largest order coming from the Bay City Cab Co., to whom they delivered 17 cars. Other deliveries include new Fords to Albert Lewis, Big Bay; J. D. Foster, Kalkaska; Forest Barber, Grayling; Carl Chappel, Battle Creek; Alva Knoor, Detroit; Howard Rea, Bay City; Lt. LeRoy Richards, Pontiac.

The American Legion and Auxiliary are having a big blowout at Spikes' next Monday night.

Grayling was visited by a heavy snowstorm Saturday night and Sunday afternoon a real climard blew up and the temperature got to two above zero. The heavy snow of the previous day was swept from the ground by a bitter wind and made traveling pretty uncomfortable. Wreckers were kept busy throughout the evening hauling in cars, and a few cars are said to have been stalled on plains roads for a day or so the first of the week owing to impassable roads. Much of the snow has disappeared during the past few days and today we are experiencing a real thaw. The lowest the temperature has been so far this winter, was on Dec. 1st, when the thermometer at the Fish Hatchery registered 7 below.

TAXES DUE

Winter taxes are due and payable at City office.

Florence Butler,
City Treas.

12-3-6

Grange Notes

New officers were installed Saturday night at Grand Crossing as follows:

Master—Hugo Schreiber.
Overseer—Richard Bassett.
Lecturer—Mrs. John Kneent.
Chaplain—Mrs. Lynn Corwin.
Treasurer—Wm. J. Woodburn.
Secretary—Mrs. William Williams.
Steward—Elmer Ostrander.
Asst. Steward—Charles Corwin.
Lady Asst. Steward—Mrs. Richard Bassett.
Gatekeeper—Mrs. Rudolph Feldhauser.
Ceres—Mrs. Hjalmar Mortensen.
Pomona—Mrs. Ellen Fleming.
Flora—Mrs. Frank Serven.

John Kneent was the installing officer and Mrs. Carrie Feldhauser was lady assistant steward for the installing. George Annis and son Forest furnished the music.

Following the ceremonies a surprise party was held, honoring the 80th birthday of Grandma Fleming. [illegible]

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Kenilam.

Want Ads

WANTED TO BUY—Baby Chicks. Leave word at Avalanche office 111.

LOST—Monday, 2 large black hounds. Answer to names Nigger and Prince. Notify Avalanche office or Phone 150.

FOR SALE—Several Used Trailers suitable for logging. Priced from $100 to $300, also parts and new semi-trailers. Barth Body Works, Rockford, Mich. 12-3-6

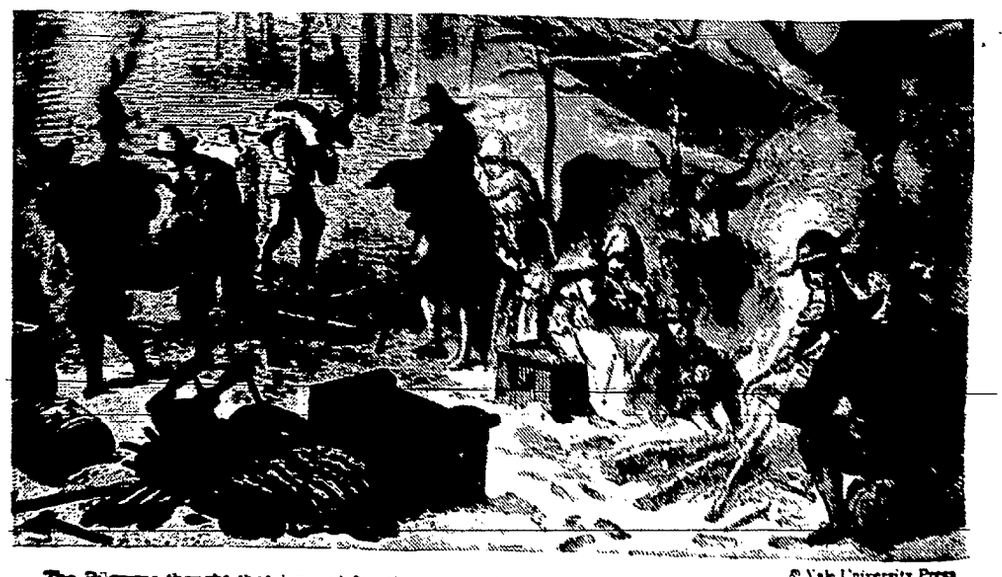
FOR RENT—Furnished House. Mrs. Eva Reagan. 12-3

LOST—White and green gold Elgin wristwatch with chromium strap. Tuesday. Reward for its return to Avalanche office.

Brown Coal

Lignite or brown coal is more solid than peat, but less compact than ordinary coal.

Even the Pilgrims Celebrated on Christmas Day



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The Pilgrims thought that joy and feasting on a holy day was sinful and frowned on any observance of Christmas, yet on the evening of December 25, 1620, it is recorded that the Puritans returned to their ship and had a feast. The historian was careful to record, that it was to celebrate the start of their new home.

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 11, 1913

J. Foglesonger is the new apprentice at the Frank Gierke barber shop.

Miss Metha Hatch is a patient at Mercy Hospital, having had an attack of appendicitis.

The Messrs Leon and Seth Channel returned yesterday after a week's visit in West Branch. Seth went to purchase a horse.

Miss Katherine McPeak arrived from East Tawas on Thursday last. She has been trimming in a millinery shop in that city.

A new addition has been built to the American Express office. Parcel post doesn't seem to effect their business any.

Paul J. Marienthal arrived from New York City on Saturday for a few days visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. Brenner.

Kenneth McLeod had his foot badly crushed, while at work on the section, Friday morning, when a heavy steel rail dropped upon it.

News has come to relatives in this city of the death of Captain Daniel McFadden, who was found dead on his barge, Monte Duma, near Buffalo harbor, on November 23rd. His death is attributed to heart failure. At the time his wife was visiting her father, John O. Goudrow, of this city.

Miss Clara Lietz is here from Detroit visiting at the home of her brother, Roman Lietz.

Miss Augusta Kraus is assisting in the A. Kraus & Son dry goods store during the holidays.

Ed. Morrissey, who works at the round house shops, has been absent a few days on account of illness.

The young child of Mr. and Mrs. Z. Hollingsworth is very ill.

John Harrison who works at the roundhouse shops, has purchased a 40 acre farm in Otsego county.

John Benson has purchased the corner property back of the Russel Hotel, and will build a fine cement garage there. The old building that has stood so many years on this spot, has been moved farther back on the next lot.

Arrangements are in progress for the second annual Moose ball which will be held at the opera house on New Year's night.

Clyde King resumed work in Stanard's restaurant last evening after a week's visit with his cousins in Pinconning.

Mrs. John McClellan and little daughter, of Bay City are visiting her sisters, Mrs. Daniel Hoesh and Miss Blanche Blondin and brother, Mose.

Master Edward Charron celebrated his eleventh birthday Wednesday, by entertaining a number of his friends at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Charron.

Ernest Richardson, of Roscommon, was in this city on business last Friday, also visiting his sister, Mrs. F. E. Gregory.

Frank Nellet, who has been ill, more or less during the past summer, is reported as improving and may resume his work in the roundhouse shops soon.

Severn Jenson who drives a delivery wagon for Sorenson Bros. furniture store, had quite a painful accident yesterday afternoon. When, as he was getting onto the wagon after making a delivery, the horse started up, throwing him to the ground, he striking on his head and cutting a deep gash near his temple.

H. C. Holbrook and family have sold their home in this city and are moving to Tekonsha, Michigan. This takes from Grayling one of its oldest families, the Holbrooks having moved here from Branch county in 1862.

The L. F. O. Sewing club, which was organized a short time ago, spent a most delightful evening at the home of Miss Marie Foreman last Thursday, when they were entertained with a "doll party." All were dressed as young folks and brought their dolls with them.

School Notes.

(23 Years Ago)

Louis Joseph was absent Tuesday because of illness.

R. D. Barney, of Gaylord, was a visitor at school last week.

Edith Collens illustrated the story of "Jack and Jill" very cleverly by drawings.

Alma Petersen, Lucile Hanson and Frank Benedict were absent from the eighth grade because of illness.

The following pupils received "A" in spelling every day last week: Ruth Corwin, Ruth Harrington, Grace Stewart, Charles Moran, John Phelps, and Myrtle Winslow.

Monday morning the eighth grade enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Marius Hanson. We of the eighth grade wish that more of the parents would visit us in the same pleasant way.

Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Joseph, the members of the football team were entertained at a six o'clock dinner given by Miss Jacobs and Miss Yutzey.

Maple Forest News

(23 Years Ago)

Miss Jennie Parsons is working in Grayling.

Miss Sylvia Bigham is working at Otsego Lake.

Will and Edwin Chalker, Jessie Smith and Thomas Hughes returned last week from a fishing trip in the upper peninsula.

Oscar Charron has gone to work in the mill at Frederic.

Mrs. Woodburn's school is to have Christmas exercises.

Earl Marshall and family are living in Herbert Knibbs' house.

Mrs. Parsons and family have moved into their new home.

Gill Vallad is home from Grayling for a few days because of sickness.

Mrs. J. A. Woodburn left for Detroit on Wednesday morning last to visit her daughter, Miss Bertha.

Bert Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shaw, returned home last week after about two years spent in the west.

Mr. J. K. Bates returned last Saturday from a two weeks' visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Agnes Hathaway, at Moorish, Mich.

Do We Want Socialized Medicine?

(Continued from front page)

it in the pay envelope and we will buy our own welfare.

4. Employed person knows that socialized medicine means heavy contributions.

5. Employed recognizes any socialization of medicine scheme to be nothing but revolution insurance.

6. Employed person wants a job and health to keep it. Germany under health insurance system: time lost by insured workmen trebled in 30 years. England: time loss increased from 9 days before compulsory insurance to 12½ days after. In America: time loss 6½ days. Stationary for 25 years.

Not The Taxpayer

1. Taxpayer paid State $82,000,000. Taxpayer paid County, City, Township $16,000,000.

Complete system of free medicine for 4,101,405 people would add $11,020,674 in taxes. State taxes would have to be more than tripled. Sales tax would increase from 3% to 9%.

2. Add to this cash payments for lost work days due to illness, including feigned illness, and sales tax becomes 18%.

3. Free service is abused by men who seek more than their just share.

Taxpayer would pay first rate prices for interior quality service. In Germany socialized med is known as second class service.

5. Taxpayer knows that policies would interfere, resulting in monetary and scientific waste. Ample illustration of waste seen in governmental activities.

6. Taxpayer knows economic depressions increase government spending in face of lessened income, thus socialized medicine would either mean increased taxation or lessened medical service during trying times.

7. Taxpayer knows that service at public expense is far from being free service. None can escape the tax collector.

Not The Physician

1. 190,000 physicians in U. S. do not want socialized medicine as it would furnish the people a medical service limited in scope and destroy public confidence.

2. Physician has sacred obligations to maintain the quality of medical care. Deficient quality abroad.

3. Physician does not want his patients to substitute suspicion for responsibility and resentment for friendship. This is bad when cash benefits are combined with service benefits.

People who are actually paid for being sick will have no desire to get well quickly and will resent attempts of a conscientious physician to certify them back to health.

4. Physician has made inroads against all forms of disease in public health.

Average death in Michigan:

1900	54.26
1933	59.31

Does not want to lose his initiative, resourcefulness—incentive to improve himself.

Patient will suffer if these are supplanted by governmental red tape.

5. Physicians are progressive. Trying to solve the economic problem of past six years.

Profit Seekers

Now on the other hand, those who do want State or Socialized medicine.

1. Seeker after personal profits would benefit by this system.

Third party as insurance carriers, lodge or friendly society.

A small minority group of physicians whose friendship with unscrupulous politicians would share the profits.

Professional philanthropy and social welfare have created a new profession. Increase social welfare.

Certain business firms which would stand to profit by large orders for building materials if government took over the work.

2. Seeker knows that complicated administration work and governmental red tape of a social program would require thousands of employees with high salaried positions picked off by those on the band wagon. He knows that total paid for administration in England is over half paid to physicians and total non-medical workers in Germany is greater than the total of physicians.

3. Seeker knows that the 35 million health insured people in Germany pay rates that have increased from 3% to 6.5% of their monthly earnings.

Paid Reformers

1. Would completely change picture because of a negligible percentage of people who find illness costs heavy in a given year.

2. Paid reformer has been told but forgets. Committee on the cost of medical care surveyed from month to month for one year the health needs of 39,000 people in this country.

47.9% needed medical care and received it.

47.1% needed no medical care.

5% left, sought probably cults, etc.

Should present system be changed for a negligible 5%?

3. As a panacea for poverty, sickness insurance is a poor excuse.

4. The salaried altruist may make high sounding promises whose fulfillment is too expensive for this or any other civilization to attempt.

Unscrupulous Politicians

1. Sees in socialized medicine the control of a vast new patronage army. Hundreds of choice jobs passed out, changes of administration and the spoils system would make practice of medicine a political lottery with political skill instead of professional skill.

2. Knows that socialization of medicine would shunt millions of dollars into his hands to be administered by him and his aides.

3. Know that political system will let out building contracts for large public hospitals, sanatoria, health clinics, etc.

4. Will insist on cash benefits in any socialized medicine legislation. Recipients of these checks will keep him in office. A great system for gaining influence votes.

5. Will make campaign promises to provide good medical care and after election will be indifferent to same. Borne out in U. S. by the F.E.R.A. In Michigan by the Crippled and Afflicted Childrens act and Afflicted Adult act.

6. Result:

a. Less skilled men in profession.

b. Mechanical system, no incentive.

c. Loss of independence and inability to provide needed care.

d. Overwork by physicians.

Philanthropists' Paid Agents

1. Social workers distribute cash benefits (not their own money) according to their own standards and opinions of what is good for the recipient.

They seek to do same with services of physicians and resent any implication that they are not equally competent to determine how and to whom and in what amount medical service shall be distributed.

2. So-called foundations have spent millions for surveys of medical care. Same amount of money would have taken care of these cases.

DR. C. R. KEYPORT.

MADONNA

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This famous picture of the Madonna and Child commemorating the first Christmas was painted by Antonello da Messina, one of the great Italian artists of the early Renaissance.

Bees Aid Clover

When the Australians first planted clover it grew well in Australia's fertile soil from seed brought from England but produced no seed in the new country. They couldn't understand it until they imported bumblebees, pollen carriers from plant to plant. Nature's cycle was perfected and seed came.

What Irvin S. Cobb Thinks about

Twilight of Ex-Debutantes

SANTA MONICA, CALIF.—Should the king marry Mrs. Simpson or should it be vice versa and Mrs. Simpson marry the king, in either event the happy outcome is bound to prove blighting upon a large coterie of slightly weather-beaten ex-debutantes of the crop of 1925.

Irvin S. Cobb

Anyhow, it was a great vintage year for debutantes, because that was when we had the most memorable of royal visits. And ever since there have been ever so many now somewhat matured buds who, season after season, have maintained front rank in society by being reminded, about once in so often, of the supreme hour when they danced with the then prince of Wales and speaking of him in a fondly sentimental tone as "Dear David."

But even such a precious reminiscence suddenly becomes mighty pale, mighty puny alongside a prospective achievement which may change the ancient status of majesty to "Honi soit qui Wally pense!"

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Passing of the Train Butcher

THERE'S melancholy in the news that the railroad "train butcher" is vanishing. Soon, like so many fixtures of the passing generation, such as the dried-potato as cure for rheumatism and the drooping sidewhisker, he'll be an extinct species.

In my earliest recollections of travel he has a fond place, along with the lunch pat up in a congress shoe box, the cinder in the eye and the smell which made every day coach remind you of a woodpecker's nest.

On almost the first car trip I ever made unaccompanied 'twas he who sold me a sealed volume entitled "The Jolly Old Drummer's Spicy Library," with a whispered warning not to break the wrapper before leaving the train for fear of arrest. I remember my guilty feeling, my youthful thrill of anticipation. I got my money's worth right there. I didn't get it, later, because there was nothing in that book you couldn't read at a meeting of the ladies' aid with impunity.

He was indeed an engaging scoundrel and engaging scoundrels grow increasingly scarce. There's nothing picturesque about an "investment counselor" doing business with the aid of a sucker list and a new issue of Bull Con. preferred.

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Ugly Railroad Stations

NO MATTER which way you're going, it seems, you must change trains in Chicago, and nearly always, change stations as well.

Chicago proudly boasts of more railroad stations and uglier ones and situated at more remote and inconvenient intervals from one another than any city anywhere. It's as though once upon a time she set out to collect the largest covey of truly homely stations in the world and then the bunch flushed and scattered on her.

Yet as far as I can find out—correct me if I err—there's no structural reason why through cars on most lines could not be switched directly to the connecting lines without being brought into the heart of the city. Maybe Chicago loves the distinction of being the largest junction point on earth.

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Hungarian Duels

YOUR correspondent has been quite calm about that Budapest doctor's string of nine duels. I lived through several Kentucky primary elections, so a scrap where you don't have to replace any divots afterward leaves me comparatively calm.

There's an average of 300 duels every month in Hungary, but to date the only fatalities are among those who were bored to death waiting for something to happen. It's fine to be able to appease your sacred honor without losing any of your sacred epidermis.

If, in the old days, we'd only had that system for adjusting political differences, I can think of at least one uncle and several cousins of mine who might still be alive and voting the regular Democratic ticket.

IRVIN S. COBB.

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Webster's Greatest Law Cases

In a letter to his brother Ezekiel, Daniel Webster wrote concerning the Sailors' Snug Harbor case upon which he was engaged: "I have made a greater effort in it than in any other since Dartmouth college versus Woodward or than it is probable I shall ever make in another." The Dartmouth college case is, historically, regarded as Webster's greatest effort and a leading case in all American jurisprudence.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the city of Grayling, in said county, on the 10th day of November, A. D. 1936.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Ernst John, deceased.

Olof Ogren having filed in said court his petition, praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described, at private sale.

It is ordered, That the 7th day of December A. D. 1936, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate. 11-12-4

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

In the matter of the estate of Fannie A. Buckley, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that 4 months from the 4th day of December A. D. 1936, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the City of Grayling, in said county, on or before the 5th day of April, A. D. 1937, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday, the 5th day of April A. D. 1937, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated November 28, A. D. 1936.

Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate.

12-3-4

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said county, on the [illegible] day of November, A. D. [illegible]

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of [illegible] Kneen, deceased.

[illegible] having filed in said court his petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to him or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That the 14th day of December A. D. 1936, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

LAND EXCHANGE NOTICE

[illegible] hereby given that the State of Michigan, through the Department of Conservation at Lansing, Michigan, has applied [illegible] exchange of lands under [illegible] March 3, 1925 (43 [illegible]) the applicant offers [illegible] Government certain [illegible] in Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Lake, [illegible] Wexford, Manistee, [illegible] Ontonagon and Mackinac Counties lying within the [illegible] National Forests, [illegible] exchange desires to obtain [illegible] the following described [illegible] located in Crawford County [illegible] State Forest boundary [illegible] containing 60.00 acres:

[illegible] R 4 W, Sec 13, S½ NE.

[illegible] purpose of this notice is [illegible] persons claiming [illegible] having bona fide [illegible] application an [illegible] to the use of their protests [illegible] on or before the [illegible] publication thereof.

[illegible] publication November 19, [illegible]

[illegible] publication December 10, [illegible]

Lyle F. Watts,
Regional Forester.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said county, on the [illegible] day of November, A. D. [illegible]

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of [illegible] Moore, deceased.

[illegible] having filed in said court his petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to him or to some other suitable person.

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Subscribe for the Avalanche

Buy Christmas Seals From School Pupils

Grayling residents who have not received tuberculosis Christmas seals through the mail—and who wish to have a part in the Thanksgiving Day-to-Christmas campaign to provide funds to Michigan's fight against tuberculosis in 1937—may secure a supply of the tiny messengers of health from any school child Gerald Poor, superintendent of schools announced today. Under Mr. Poor's direction, Grayling school children are providing an opportunity for all in the community to purchase Christmas seals.

FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS

Buy and Use CHRISTMAS SEALS

"It is of course impossible for the Michigan Tuberculosis Association to reach all in Grayling thru the mail sale it carrys on," Superintendent Poor explained in agreeing to take charge of the supplementary sale here. "It is impossible for the Association to secure the names of all who would like to contribute and each year many inquiries are made locally as to where Christmas seals may be obtained. It is so that all who wish to participate in the fight against the White Plague may do so that Christmas seals are being made available in Grayling through the school children.

"We are not planning, however, to have the school children canvass the community. That procedure would involve much annoyance to those who have already received seals. We shall be glad, though, to fill promptly all requests for seals. They may be had either by contacting the office of the Superintendent of Schools or by asking any school child for a supply.

Superintendent Poor added that the children too would be given an opportunity to purchase Christmas seals for either their own or their parents' use.

"I am in complete sympathy with this annual sale of Christmas seals to provide funds to fight tuberculosis," Mr. Poor declared. "And inasmuch as it is the children who benefit so greatly we are glad to have them take this small part in the project."

Funds raised through the sale of seals in the state will finance the entire program of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association in 1937. A voluntary organization, the Association has fought the White Plague in Michigan since 1908.

CHRISTMAS TREE BEST IF SIMPLE

More simplicity and resultant beauty in festooning the Christmas tree is suggested by Winifred Gettemy in the home economics department at Michigan State College. The old fashioned "conglomeration" of many kinds of ornaments defeats itself in too many households in her opinion.

"Simple decorations with real greens instead of artificial ornaments are most desirable," says Miss Gettemy. "If there is a fireplace available, then make that the center of the holiday display instead of scattering the decorations over doors and windows.

"If a fireplace is not available, then use a Christmas tree or a group of windows for the center of attraction. Greens can be those of pine, spruce or ground pine banked on top of the mantle or made into festoons or wreaths. A wreath makes a good center of interest."

Miss Gettemy does not relegate this work to just one person in the family who might have the eye for beauty in decoration. She thinks it still is proper and the best stimulant to Christmas spirit to have the whole family including the children participate in the decorating.

When it comes to dressing up the tree, however, she again suggests simplicity. Four schemes are useful. One includes the use of ornaments of the same color but of different sizes. Another type of ornament would be all sizes in different colors. A third type of decoration can include tinsel strips with ball decorations, and the last suggestion is for the use of just tinsel strips and bulb lights for decoration.

SCHOOL NEWS

Students of the school are selling tuberculosis Christmas seals this week. A new feature—tuberculosis pins—are attracting a lot of attention and the price of five cents seems to be quite popular.

Thea nnual two weeks' Christmas vacation will begin December 18.

During the past week the Hi-Y club has been making efforts to organize an intramural basketball league which is open to all eligible boys in the upper four grades. Quite a few hopefuls have reported.

On the Friday afternoon of the Harbor Springs game, a pep meeting was staged in the auditorium. This consisted of a one-act skit by several members of the high school, and four or five yells that were really loud and were full of pep.

The stage floor, having been the recipient of a sanding job and several coats of varnish, gives the stage a new and pleasant appearance.

The opening of the South Side school has made sixty-two youngsters happy already this year. We have had some snappy days and if you think it's thrilling to walk a mile in freezing weather, ask some of these little tots.

A Visual Method piano recital is coming. The date is December 16; the time is 4:00 and the place is the high school. If you are interested you are cordially invited to attend.

115 G. H. S. armbands have been purchased from the Hi-Y club. These bands are really flashy looking.

Don't forget that Gaylord will play here one week from next Friday. Mancelona was barely beaten by Gaylord last Friday night. The score was 12-10.

At some later date a Michigan Bakery representative will demonstrate methods of making different kinds of sandwicses at the school Home Economics room.

HONOR ROLL

12th Grade

Connine, Mary G.—3A's, 1B.
Entsminger, Pauline—1A, 2B's.
Hewitt, Monica—1A, 3B's.
Montour, Mary—2A's, 1B, 1C.
Peterson, Donald—2A's, 2B's.
Skingley, Evelyn—1A, 2B's, 1C.

11th Grade

Bowen, Keith—2A's, 2B's.
Brady, Richard—4B's.
Charron, Virginia—3A's, 1B.
Peterson, Beatrice—4A's.
Peterson, Jerrine—2A's, 2B's.
Peterson, John—1A, 3B's, 1C.

10th Grade

Anthony, Clayton—4B's.
Bradow, Audrey—2A's, 2B's.
Corwin, Donald—1A, 2B's, 1C.
Hewitt, Phyllis—2A's, 1B, 1C.
Mathews, John—2A's, 1B, 1C.
Peterson, Kenneth—2A's, 1B, 1C.
Tahvonen, Einer—2A's, 1B, 1C.
Tahvonen, Emil—3A's, 1B.

9th Grade

Babbitt, Arnold—2A's; 2B's.
Brady, Jean—1A, 3B's.
Burrows, Ruth—4B's.
Gordon, Vada Ann—2A's, 2B's.
Jones, Iris—4B's.
Joseph, Mary Jane—3A's, 1B.
Kraus, William—1A, 2B's, 1C.
McNeven, Gloria—1A, 3B's.
McNamara, Jr.—1A, 2B's, 1C.
Miller, Dorothy—4A's.
Nelson, Melvin—1A, 2B's, 1C.
Peterson, Natalie—1A, 2B's, 1C.
Peterson, Virginia—3A's, 1B.

8th Grade

Charron, Kathryn—1A, 3B's.
Failing, Betty J.—1A, 3B's.
Martin, Jane Ann—1A, 2B's, 1C.
Roberts, Patricia—4A's.
Skingley, Robert—1A, 2B's, 1C.

7th Grade

Broadbent, Elaine—4B's.
Bugby, Eleanor—4B's.
Christenson, Faye—2A's, 2B's.
Doroh, June—2A's, 1B, 1C.
Kernosky, Ruth—2A's, 1B, 1C.

3rd-4th Grade Room

Ina Conboy, Teacher.
All A's and B's

Howard DeLaMater, Geraldine Golnick, Irene Tahvonen, Dick Dawson, Richard K. Nelson, Zelda Fletcher.

B Average

Betty Lou Wilson, Evelyn Weiss, Teddy Bennett, Evelyn Krage.

First Grade News

We have been busy getting our room decorated for Christmas. We made wreaths for our windows and door and brought Christmas pictures for our Bulletin Board. We are learning winter poems now and are going to learn some Christmas poems soon.

Other things which we are planning to do are: Make decorations for our tree; make Christmas gifts for our mothers and fathers, and fix our sand table for Christmas.

Eleanor Edmunds has moved to Frederic; we were sorry to have her leave our room.

Donald and Arthur Lovely are back in school after being ill for the past few weeks.

FIRST BUYER OF CHRISTMAS SEALS

First in Grayling to buy 1936 tuberculosis Christmas seals was Mr. A. J. Joseph, the Michigan Tuberculosis Association announces. The thirtieth annual sale of the tiny messengers of health opened on Thanksgiving Day and will be continued through to Christmas. Sixty million of the Christmas seals were distributed in the state this year by the Association and its affiliated organizations, to provide funds to carry on the fight against the White Plague in 1937.

Thanking and complimenting Mr. Joseph on his early purchase, Dr. Bruce H. Douglas, president of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association this week urged that all others in the state who have received seals make their returns as soon as possible so that expense of follow-up letters might be spared.

"Never was the need so great for an intensive anti-tuberculosis program in Michigan," Dr. Douglas declared. "Now, with a complete victory over the White Plague nearer than it has ever been, is the time to redouble our efforts. The 2,044 deaths from tuberculosis in Michigan last year are a challenge to every thinking individual, in the light of the utter needlessness of the disease."

Since 1931 the Michigan Tuberculosis Association has brought two of the modern weapons of medical science—the tuberculin test and the chest X-ray—to more than 100,000 Michigan people. Funds raised during the present sale of Christmas seals will help to carry on this work.

Fred Green

Fred Green never could have been a pompous governor because the impish quality of his sense of humor would not permit him to take himself seriously. Toward the close of his term as Governor when arrangements had been made for the painting of his portrait to be hung with those of

FRED GREEN

other governors in the Capitol at Lansing, Green went for an artist long enough to acquaint him with the Governor's features in a general way and the outline of his figure. Then he left and did not return until the portrait was finished. With a party of friends he stepped into the artist's studio to see it. It was the usual formal portrait of a governor, depicting him sitting in a statesmanlike attitude, clad in a frock coat. The Governor hooted. "Nobody can make a stuffed shirt out of me," he said, and he insisted that the artist paint out the stateman's coat and dress him in something more appropriate. That is why, when you go to the Capitol today, you will find among all the solemn-looking portraits of former governors a painting of Fred Green, a grin on his face, a hunting suit on his body, woodsman's boots on his feet and a dog with his muzzle on his knee. It is a portrait of the real Fred Green, probably the only real picture in all that stern company.—Oscoda Press.

MODERN

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The new 1936 Santa Claus takes to the airplane as the modern successor to the famed reindeer.

Natural Electric Currents

Natural electric currents, having no relation to the weather flow through the earth and often circulate in grounded electrical equipment to such extent that they set in motion and even damage receiving instruments. During one week many years ago, notes a writer in Collier's Weekly, these currents were so strong that they were able to carry telegraphic messages, without the aid of batteries or any other source of current, for more than 300 miles.

Baboon Was Venerated

In primitive Egypt the baboon was venerated and his mummies have been found in the ancient tombs of the Nile valley. The Egyptians used to tame the animals and teach them to pick fruit, according to legend.

Gunpowder In Use 6 Centuries

Gunpowder first was employed to discharge a projectile early in the Fourteenth century. It was used in a device of a German monk.

Lovells

(Too late for last week.)

Thurlow Dudd and Bert Prentiss of Marine City, have returned home after enjoying two weeks at their club. Both gentlemen got a fine buck.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Buttler of Flint visited Mrs. Buttler's father A. R. Caid a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Langstrom of Detroit enjoyed some time hunting.

The Cheerful Givers met with Mrs. Edgar Caid last week.

Elmo Nephew has moved his family to Frederic for the winter, as he is employed by Bill Leng.

Mrs. Lola Papenfus spent Thanksgiving with her son Roy, at Eldorado.

Mrs. Lola Gregg of Grand Rapids has returned to her home after spending two weeks with her son Glen.

Bill McGowan of Detroit spent some time at the Arthur Feldhauser home.

Mrs. Tom Grisswold of Bay City has returned home after staying some time with her father, A. R. Caid.

Miss Norma Smith, of Saginaw, has returned home with a fine buck.

Myron Gregg and Bill Jenkins of Cadillac visited a few days with Mr. Gregg's son, Glen.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Pratt of Frederic took Thanksgiving dinner with Mrs. Pratt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Small.

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 7th day of December A. D. 1936, Grayling, Mich.

Meeting called to order by Mayor C. W. Olsen. Councilmen present: Olsen, Jenson, Schoonover, Milnes, Sales. Absent: none.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Resolution introduced by Schoonover, moved by Milnes, supported by Jenson that the following be accepted, approved and adopted:

Resolved: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign an agreement with the United States Government for a grant on a sewage disposal plant at Grayling, Michigan.

It is hereby covenanted that work on the project described in the offer will be commenced as soon as possible and that the progress of the work will be planned so that the project will be completed in any event by July 1, 1937.

Yea: Sales, Milnes, Schoonover, Jenson and Olsen. Nay: none. Passed by unanimous vote.

Moved by Olsen, supported by Schoonover that an option in the amount of $100.00 to run to July 1, 1937, be taken up by the City of Grayling on the piece of property known as Connine's Park, option price to be part of purchase price if property is bought by the City.

Passed by unanimous vote.

Moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

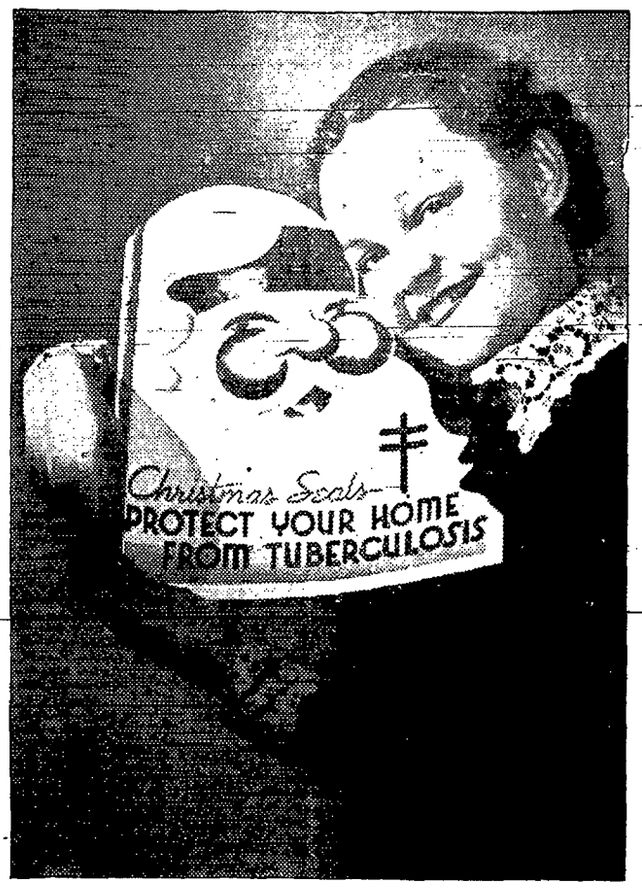
George A. Granger,
City Clerk.

PREDICT MANY NEW OIL FIELDS

Lansing, Dec. 9—Drilling for oil continues on an unprecedented scale in Michigan, indicating that operators still feel certain that there are rich pools of "black gold" as yet undiscovered.

The office of the state geologist here reports that 624 permits to drill were issued up to Dec. 1 at a cost of $25 each, exceeding the record high number of permits issued for the whole of 1935, which was 700.

Santa's Aid Enlisted In Fight Against TB



AS MODERN as the pretty young miss who holds him close is the jolly likeness of Santa Claus that appears on the sixty million tuberculosis Christmas seals distributed in the state this year by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association and affiliated organization. Funds raised will be used to carry on the fight against the White Plague that has been waged incessantly by the Association since its organization in 1908.

By far the most gay and colorful of many seasons, the 1936 Christmas seal—designed in modernistic style—is especially appropriate since the educational campaign to fight tuberculosis urges the use of modern weapons.

In the past five years tuberculosis Christmas seal funds have provided over 100,000 Michigan people with two of the modern weapons against tuberculosis—the tuberculin test and the X-ray. The Association hopes to be able to carry on this life-saving work in 1937. The 2,044 deaths from tuberculosis in Michigan in 1935 were pointed out as emphasizing the need for continuing the present vigorous campaign against the disease.

So that the added expense of a follow-up letter may be spared, Theodore J. Werle, executive secretary of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association, this week urged that all who have received Christmas seals through the mail make their returns as soon as possible.

LOCALS

THURSDAY, DEC. 10, 1936

Watch the advertising in this paper for Christmas gift suggestions.

The brook and brown trout spawn in the fall; the rainbow trout and the Montana grayling in the late winter or early spring.

An operetta "Santa in Storyland" will be presented entirely by the children of the grade school in the school auditorium Thursday evening, Dec. 17. The children under the direction of Miss Bath assisted by the grade teachers, have been practicing on the operetta for some time. We hear it is well worth seeing. Prices of admission are very low at 10c for children and 20c for adults.

Men's 15 inch Hunting Rubbers. Special at $2.98.—Grayling Mercantile Co.

Word has been received of the illness of Miss Dorothy Reid, granddaughter of Mrs. James Reynolds, at her home in Twining.

St. Mary's Altar society will give another of their popular parties in the church hall, Sunday evening, Dec. 20th. The public is invited. 12-10-2

Wally Hutton has been discharged from Camp Higgins, Co. 672, and has accepted employment in Detroit. He left for Detroit early Tuesday morning.

Dr. Clyde J. Hathaway of Pontiac on his regular optical visit here proudly proclaims that he is a "Granddad," for a son, Lee Milton, was born on Dec. 1st to his son and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Milton Hathaway, of Pontiac.

Men's All-Rubber 4-Buckle Artics. Special at $2.49.—Grayling Mercantile Co.

The Ladies of the Danish Sisterhood spent a most enjoyable afternoon at the home of Mrs. Rasmus Jorgenson, Tuesday.

The pupils of the Visual Method Piano class of Grayling school will give a recital in the school auditorium Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 16, at 4:00 o'clock. Parents and friends are cordially invited.

Ruth Papendick, age 2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Papendick, of Beaver Creek, is a patient at Mercy hospital, suffering severe scalds received when she fell in pan of boiling water at her home.

Please, if you have any broken toys let Mr. Clough know, or call the Avalanche, so they may be repaired in time for Christmas. These are to be turned over to some organization to help make Christmas glad for some boy or girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Babbitt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corwin, Miss Helene Babbitt and F. J. Mills were dinner guests, Sunday, at the home of Mrs. Babbitt's mother, Mrs. Frank Barber, at Roscommon; the occasion being Mrs. Barber's birthday anniversary. They report a most enjoyable day.

Harold A. Clemetson, at one time a Grayling resident, when he was connected with the State Highway department, met a tragic death Saturday forenoon when his automobile was struck by a train at a railroad crossing just out of Manistee. The family live at Cadillac and Mr. Clemetson who was a salesman for a wholesale hardware firm, was returning home after being there on business. Mrs. Clemetson and little son Junior who survive have the sympathy of many Grayling friends in their sorrow. Funeral services were held at Cadillac Tuesday and the remains taken to Bath, Mich., and later to Lansing for interment.

The life of a Christmas tree may be extended at least a week if the tree is set in water when brought into the house.

As the oldsters say, "It is pretty hard to keep a good man down." So, we were not surprised to learn that Frank Barnett answered to the roll call of the Crawford County Road Commission Tuesday of last week. Mr. Barnett has been seriously ill for the past several weeks but is feeling quite a little improved.

President Emil Giegling, Secretary A. J. Joseph and president-elect O. P. Schumann, of Grayling Kiwanis club, attended the Kiwanis school of instruction held in Petoskey Tuesday night. Stanley Johnston, governor of the Michigan district, is a son of Fred Johnston, a former resident of Roscommon and at one time county agricultural agent of Crawford county, who will be recalled by our older residents. Governor Johnston was born in Roscommon and at present is a resident of South Haven.

Mrs. Frank Barnett is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. M. A. Bates, who left in the fall, planning to embark for the Philippine Islands to visit her son, Capt. Emerson Bates, who is stationed there. Mrs. Bates writes from SanFrancisco, Calif., and states that she is detained there because of the strike of the longshoremen, which has kept all ships in the harbor for the past month. When she reached there, Mrs. Bates states, she was met by Capt. Forman, a classmate at West Point, of Capt. Bates. She was to embark on the following afternoon and the following morning the strike was on. Since that time she has been a guest at the Forman home and, although she is very anxious to reach the Philippines, she is having a most enjoyable time. Mrs. Bates gives a vivid description of the beautiful flowers which are there and of the lovely weather. She also says that if the strike does not lift soon, she plans to try to make arrangements for passage on a Japanese boat. She is most anxious to get to the Islands in time for Christmas. Word from Mrs. Bates is always welcome and we hope to receive word from her often.

The new DeSoto on display at the Corwin Auto Sales show rooms is attracting no little attention.

Kenneth Hoesli left, Sunday, for Gladwin, where he was joined by Dan Woods, of that city, and the two left for Florida; making the trip by motorcycle. If everything goes well, the boys expect to travel on to California.

The ladies and gentlemen of St. Mary's parish enjoyed a get-together Tuesday at the parish hall; a 6 o'clock goose dinner being the main attraction. Following the dinner, a card party was in progress and high scores were held by Mrs. Ted Morris and Mrs. Minnie Isenhauer, "500"; David Montour, Pinochle; and Mrs. William Lenartz, Pedro.

Religion In Life

The Spanish Tragedy

Among the Clerks

South Side Locals

Notice

I will be in the Grayling Hardware for the purpose of collecting taxes on Fridays and Saturdays, after Dec. 11th, from 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. On all other days I will be at my home down river.

Nettie Sheehan, Treas.
Grayling Township

12-3-2

"BIG BUSINESS" WAS HUGE SU...

...AYLING DEMOCRATS NEW GYM

DEER FLOUNDER IN BOG

WOMAN'S DEMOCRATIC CLUB NOTES

There was a good attendance at the meeting of the club Monday evening in the school building. Activities will continue throughout the winter with meetings held on the first Tuesday evening in each month.

Capt. Connolly of Camp Higgins was the speaker of the evening and as is usual with his talks it was very interesting. He told of the life of the enrollees at the CCC camps, and made an appeal for magazines, music, books, or anything that will make more comforts for the boys. Of course these would be things that folks would have no use for themselves. By telephoning the camp they would be called for. Another matter which Chaplain Connolly said they were striving for is a place in town where the boys could wait for trucks when they come in for the evening, so they would not have to wait out in the cold. He said they would be glad to furnish the fuel to do any work that needed to be done about a building.

Interspersed in the program was some clever tap dancing by Miss Donna Kinnee, some vocal selections by a girls quartet under direction of Miss Bath, and community singing with Mrs. Marion Hanson at the piano.

In all it was a very interesting meeting.

WANTED—OLD XMAS TOYS

Ability of Queen Bees

Fire Fallen Light